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BOX II

The International Searching Authority has determined that this international application contains multiple (groups of) inventions, as follows:

1. Claims: 1 (in part), 2, 4-13

use of ether alcohols as solvents or solubilisers and corresponding solutions, as well as ether alcohols as solubilisers in polyol-in-oil emulsions

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ether alcohols as auxiliary dispersing agents or continuous phase for pigment dispersions

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